#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	•	CRIMINAL NO.	

v. : DATE FILED: \_\_\_\_

HOWARD HENRY, a/k/a "Cobra," LUCKY ECKSTEIN

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VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. § 371 (conspiracy to deal in

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: 18 U.S.C. § 473 (dealing in counterfeit

currency - 1 count)

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18 U.S.C. § 472 (possessing and

concealing counterfeit currency - 1 count)

: 18 U.S.C. § 474 (possessing a digital or electronic image for counterfeiting

: currency - 1 count)

18 U.S.C. § 2 (aiding and abetting)

# **INDICTMENT**

## **COUNT ONE**

#### THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

In or about November 2006, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and elsewhere, defendants

HOWARD HENRY, a/k/a "Cobra," and LUCKY ECKSTEIN

conspired and agreed, together and with others known and unknown to the grand jury, to commit an offense against the United States, that is, knowingly dealing in counterfeit currency with the intent that the counterfeit currency be passed, published, and used as true and genuine, and knowingly possessing and concealing counterfeit currency with the intent to defraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 472 and 473.

#### MANNER AND MEANS

It was part of the conspiracy that:

- 1. Defendant HOWARD HENRY manufactured counterfeit currency and drove to Philadelphia to sell that currency with defendant LUCKY ECKSTEIN, and another person known to the grand jury, as protection.
- 2. In or about November 2006, defendant HOWARD HENRY manufactured approximately \$10,600 in counterfeit \$100 Federal Reserve Notes ("FRNs") by bleaching \$5 FRNs, and then printing on those bills the image of a \$100 FRN.
- 3. On or about November 21, 2006, defendants HOWARD HENRY and LUCKY ECKSTEIN, and another person known to the grand jury, traveled from Maryland to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to sell the counterfeit \$100 FRNs to A.R., a person known to the grand jury.
- 4. On or about November 22, 2006, defendants HOWARD HENRY and LUCKY ECKSTEIN sold A.R. approximately \$10,600 in counterfeit \$100 FRNs.

## **OVERT ACTS**

In furtherance of the conspiracy, the following overt acts, among others, were committed in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and elsewhere:

- 1. On or about November 15, 2006, defendant HOWARD HENRY spoke to A.R. by telephone, and offered to sell A.R. approximately \$15,000 in counterfeit \$100 FRNs. Defendant HENRY further offered to sell A.R. a computer software program that could be used to manufacture counterfeit \$100 FRNs.
  - 2. On or about November 20, 2006, defendant HOWARD HENRY

manufactured approximately \$10,600 in counterfeit \$100 FRNs. Defendant HENRY manufactured the counterfeit bills by bleaching five dollar FRNs, and then using a color printer to print on those bills the image of a \$100 FRN.

- 3. On November 21, 2006, defendant HOWARD HENRY asked defendant LUCKY ECKSTEIN and another person known to the grand jury to travel with him to Philadelphia. Defendant LUCKY ECKSTEIN came along to provide protection in the event something went wrong with the sale.
- 4. On the night of November 21, 2006, defendants HOWARD HENRY, LUCKY ECKSTEIN and another person known to the grand jury drove from Maryland to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to sell A.R. \$10,600 in counterfeit \$100 FRNs.
- 5. At approximately 2:00 a.m., November 22, 2006, defendants HOWARD HENRY and LUCKY ECKSTEIN walked into the train station located at 30th and Market Streets in Philadelphia, and sat down at a table with A.R.
- 6. On November 22, 2006, at the request of defendant HOWARD HENRY, defendant LUCKY ECKSTEIN gave A.R. a paper bag containing \$10,600 in counterfeit \$100 FRNs.
- 7. Defendant HOWARD HENRY accepted from A.R. a paper bag containing the payment for the counterfeit currency. Defendant HENRY then handed the paper bag with the payment to defendant LUCKY ECKSTEIN.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371.

## **COUNT TWO**

## THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about November 22, 2006, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and elsewhere, defendants

HOWARD HENRY, a/k/a "Cobra," and LUCKY ECKSTEIN

knowingly sold, transferred, and delivered, and aided and abetted the sale, transfer and possession of, counterfeit obligations of the United States, that is, approximately \$10,600 in counterfeit Federal Reserve Notes with the intent that the counterfeit Federal Reserve Notes be passed, published, and used as true and genuine.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 473 and 2.

## **COUNT THREE**

# THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about November 22, 2006, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and elsewhere, defendants

HOWARD HENRY, a/k/a "Cobra," and LUCKY ECKSTEIN,

with intent to defraud, possessed and concealed falsely made, forged, and counterfeited obligations of the United States, that is, approximately \$10,600 in counterfeit Federal Reserve Notes.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 472 and 2.

# **COUNT FOUR**

# THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

In or about November 2006, in District of Maryland, defendant

# HOWARD HENRY, a/k/a "Cobra,"

with intent to defraud, had in his control, custody, and possession, an analog, digital, and electronic image of an obligation or other security of the United States, that is a \$100 Federal Reserve Note.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 474.

	A TRUE BILL:	
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PATRICK L. MEEHAN UNITED STATES ATTORNEY		